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SUBJECT: FURTHER MASS EMULATION CONFERENCES TO BE HELD THIS YEAR

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1. NPC PRESIDUM MEMBER AND PUBLISHER OF HONG KONG'S TA KUNG PAO
FEI I-MIN IN CONVERSATION WITH CONGEN OFFICERS ON SEPTEMBER 18
STATED THAT THE SEPTEMBER 15 NATIONAL CONFERENCE AT TACHAI
(REFTTEL) WAS THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF FOUR NATIONAL EMULATION
CONFERENCES TO BE HELD THIS YEAR. DESCRIBING THE TACHAI MEETING
AS AN INSPIRATION FOR CHINA'S PEASANTS AND A REAFFIRMATION
OF CHINA'S INTENTIONS FOR THE FIFTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN, FEI SAID
THAT THE NEXT MEETING WOULD BE A TACHING INDUSTRIAL MODEL
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EMULATION EFFORT WHICH WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY NATIONAL CONFER-

ENCES FOR YOUTH AND WOMEN. (THE TACHING CONFERENCE WOULD NOT NECESSARILY BE HELD AT TACHING). THE CONFERENCES, ACCORDING TO FEI, ARE TO FOCUS NATIONAL RESOLVE ON THE UPCOMING FIVE-YEAR PLAN AND ALSO TO COMPLETE NATIONAL CONGRESSES FOR THE MASS ORGANIZATION -- TRADE FEDERATION, COMMUNIST YOUTH LEAGUE, AND WOMEN'S FEDERATION -- ADVERTIZED EARLIER THIS YEAR (HK 2962). FEI STATED THAT AT PRESENT MANY OF THE FOURTH FIVE-YEAR PLAN GOALS HAD ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED AND THAT THERE WILL BE AN ATTEMPT TO BOOST "OVERFULFILLMENT" IN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. NEXT YEAR'S PLAN KICK-OFF WILL BE EXCEEDINGLY IMPORTANT SINCE IT REPRESENTS AN ATTEMPT TO ACHIEVE THE FIRST STAGE OF CHINA'S DEVELOPMENT GOALS SET AT THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS, AND "MY GOOD FRIEND" VICE PREMIER YU CHIU-LI HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR DRAFTING THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS (HK A-146).

2. FROM HIS COMMENTS, FEI SUGGESTED THERE WILL BE AN EVEN GREATER CONCENTRATION ON STEEL DURING THE COMING FIVE-YEAR PLAN. FOR EXAMPLE, HE POINTED OUT THAT PROGRESS IN OIL WAS ADDING TO THE PROBLEM BY CREATING GREATER DEMANDS ON THE STEEL INDUSTRY FOR PIPELINES. FEI STATED THAT STEEL WAS NOT KEEPING PACE AND ARGUED THAT NEW PLANT AND EQUIPMENT BEING INSTALLED IN WUHAN WAS INADEQUATE TO MEET CHINA'S GROWING NEEDS. FEI STATED THAT THE WHOLE PLANT PURCHASES FROM THE GERMANS AND THE JAPANESE WOULD HAVE TO BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH ADDITIONAL PURCHASES.

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